

FISH and WILDLIFE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: December 10, 2015

Agenda Item: 2016-2017 Game Damage/Management Season/Wildlife Health Authorization Quotas

Division: Wildlife

Action Needed: Proposed

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 15 minutes

Background

Game Damage/Management Season/Wildlife Health quotas have long been adopted for each region for deer, elk and antelope. These quotas represent authority and limits to prescribed harvest from any future game damage hunts and/or management seasons and hunts to address wildlife health issues such as brucellosis. To clarify, these quotas represent the upper limits to potential prescribed harvest—not necessarily permit/license numbers or hunter numbers. FWP proposes changing the deer quota in Region 1 from 500 to 800, all other quotas are to remain unchanged from 2014-2015.

Game Damage/Management Season/Wildlife Health maximum harvest quotas for 2016 and 2017			
Region	Deer	Elk	Antelope
1	500 800	500	0
2	400	1000	20
3	1400	2000	200
4	750	1000	450
5	1400	600	300
6	2000	500	100
7	2000	200	500

Public Involvement Process & Results

In addition to public comment at the Dec. 10 commission meeting, public comment will run through 5 p.m., Jan. 22, 2016. Any final adoptions will take place at the Feb.11, 2016 commission meeting

Alternatives and Analysis

Proposals may be adopted as proposed, with adjustment, with additions, with deletions or no change from 2015 (status quo). Without some quota adoption, game damage hunts and management seasons could not proceed.

Proposed Motion

I move the commission adopt for public comment the 2016 and 2017 Game Damage and Management Season Quota authorizations as proposed by FWP.

